

HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

0070474	Triiodothyronine, Total (Total T3)	T3 TOTAL
Specimen Required: <u>Collect:</u> Serum Separator Tube (SST). Also acceptable: Lavender (K ₂ EDTA or K ₃ EDTA), Pink (K ₂ EDTA), or Green (lithium heparin). <u>Specimen Preparation:</u> Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature. Separate serum or plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 1 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL) <u>Storage/Transport Temperature:</u> Refrigerated. <u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Grossly hemolyzed specimens. <u>Stability (collection to initiation of testing):</u> After separation from cells: Ambient: 8 days; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year		